October 28, 1971

Office of the President

Dr. Marshall W. Nirenberg National Heart Institute National Institutes of Health Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Dear Dr. Nirenberg:

It is my great pleasure to inform you that the trustees of The George Washington University have voted to confer upon you the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in recognition of your outstanding leadership in the field of blochemistry. On behalf of the trustees, as well as myself, may I congratulate you upon this recognition, and express our hope that it will be possible for you to accept this honor.

Our convocation is scheduled for February 21, 1972 at 8 p.m. in Constitution Hall, and we look forward to your participation. Other details will be sent along by the University Marshal, Dr. Robert G. Jones, as soon as plans are completed.

In the meantime, it would be helpful if your secretary could supply me with an up-to-date biographical sheet and a glossy print of yourself by late December for publicity purposes. May I ask further that this information be kept confidential until such time as our news office makes appropriate public announcements.

We look forward to having you with us on February 21.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Lloyd H. Elliott

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